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## Compensation Board Joins Bremer Suit

BALTIMORE (AP)—The Maryland Criminal Injuries Compensation Board will join in a \$700,000 suit against the Arthur H. Bremer for reimbursement of any claim it pays to one of his victims.

Bremer was convicted in August of the shooting of Alabama Gov. George C. Wallace; Secret Service Agent Nicholas Zarvos; Alabama State Trooper E.C. Dothard and Dora Thompson.

Mrs. Thompson, a 34-year old Hyattsville, Md., housewife, was shot in the lower right leg and wore a cast for several months.

She has filed a claim with the injuries compensation board. She has also brought suit against Bremer seeking \$200,000 for personal injuries, \$300,000 in punitive damages and \$10,000 for loss of consortium.

The state criminal injuries compensation board makes awards to innocent persons injured by criminal acts. She said at the time she expected any award to be small since private insurance will cover most of her medical bills.

The board has set a hearing for Feb. 14 on Mrs. Thompson's claim. Martin Moylan, executive director said Monday. He said the state would join the Mrs. Thompson's suit to recover from Bremer whatever amount she may be awarded.

Bremer, serving a 63-year sentence at the Maryland State Penitentiary here, recently sold his diary to Harper's Magazine for an undisclosed sum. Excerpts were published in the magazine and the firm will publish the entire diary as a book.

The diary, introduced as evidence at Bremer's trial, detailed Bremer's actions leading to the shooting of Wallace including his plans to assassinate President Nixon.